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In re Patent Application of )  
Dan HAUZENBERGER ) Group Art Unit: Unassigned  
Application No.: Unassigned ) Prior Examiner: Unassigned  
Filed: February 21, 2001 )  
For: A METHOD FOR MEASURING A )  
PATIENT'S ABILITY TO )  
METABOLIZE CERTAIN DRUGS )  
(as amended) )

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments.

**IN THE TITLE**

Please amend the title to read --A METHOD FOR MEASURING A PATIENT'S ABILITY TO METABOLIZE CERTAIN DRUGS--.

**IN THE ABSTRACT**

A new Abstract is attached.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the claims as follows.

Claim 2, line 1, change "characterized in that" to --wherein--.

Claim 3, line 1, change "anyone of claim 1 or claim 2, characterized in that" to

--claim 1, wherein--.

Claim 16, line 1, change "16 A kit" to --A kit--;

line 3, change "anyone of claims 4-9" to --claim 4--.

Claim 17, line 3, change "anyone of claims 10-12" to --claim 10--.

Claim 18, line 3, change "anyone of claims 13-15" to --claim 13--.

#### **REMARKS**

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, entry of the foregoing, and consideration of the above amendments are respectfully requested.

The claims have been amended to delete the multiple dependency.

Favorable action in the form of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

In the event that there are any questions relating to this amendment, or to the application in general, it would be appreciated if the Examiner would telephone the undersigned attorney at 508-339-3684 concerning such questions so that prosecution of this application may be expedited.

Respectfully submitted,

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